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Impact of Pandemic -Covid-19 on LIS professionals in lockdown period: An online survey.

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Abstract:

The present paper investigates the impact of Global pandemic -Covid 19 on LIS professionals in Pune District. This research is carried out in the lockdown period i. e. from 1st March 2020 to 30thSept 2020. This study is very useful to find out how library professionals can plan for the possible futures that may changes their status. Covid - 19 gives us

WFH opportunity first time ever in history and taught us to think again to live and survive differently. The job was not easy to us due to the nature of our profession. This paper highlights how the Library professionals utilizes and given their best in this lockdown period by rendering or delivering the online service to users, upgrading and reloading skills and knowledge, participation in social activities and also how they overcome the barriers- problem & difficulties due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

Keywords: COVID-19, Library professional, Impact of corona.

I. Introduction:

Corona virus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome corona virus 2 (SARS-CoV-2). It was first identified in December 2019. And World Health Organization (WHO) on 11th March 2020 has characterized COVID-19 as pandemic.

Pandemic is a disease that spreads over a whole country or the whole world. According to Dictionary.com Pandemic definition, (of a disease) prevalent throughout an entire country, continent, or the whole world; epidemic over a large area.

Actually it is seen in history that Libraries are crucial to disaster recovery, but in the case of corona virus is keeping them closed. Academic Libraries are always very creative when designing activities for their users. But this time the LIS professionals and serving users that are mostly confined at their homes. Hence the librarians and LIS professionals must work from home, trying to keep serving their users. And their creativity begins to appear in the form of new services and activities.

II. Objectives of the Study:

The major objectives of this study are

1. To identify the impact on library professional due to virus Covid-19.